

No. 5718	號三十百七千五第	日一廿月二年子丙緒光	HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 10th, 1870.	四拜禮	號六十月三英	港香	PRICE \$24 PER MONTH
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Goods undelivered after 16th March, 1876.

SEVIERE SOUTHERNERS.
A mass will close
 Shanghai.—Per *Quang So*, to-day, the
 11th, at 7.30 A.M.
 Hongkong.—Per *Ningro*, to-day, the 16th
 at 3.30 P.M.
 Amoy, Takao, and Tamsui.—Per *Hai-*
men, the 17th inst. at 11.30 A.M.
 Manila.—Per *Navarinda*, to-morrow, the
 17th, at 11.30 A.M.
 Hongkong.—Per *Leonor*, to-morrow, the 17th
 at 2.30 P.M.
 Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per
N. Agave, on Saturday, the 18th inst.
 at 3 P.M.

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to the United Kingdom *via* Brindisi,
or to Singapore, may be posted on
board the Packet on payment of a
return fare of 40 cents per passage.
A. A. Tickets on Board ceased.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster-General.

Post-Office
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1876

NOTES BY THE FRENCH PASSPORT
OFFICE. Contract Packet *TIGRE*,
despatched on THURSDAY, the 23rd
inst., with Mails-to and through the United
Kingdom via Marseilles;—
Galle, Australia, New Zealand,
Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suva,
Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the
Office:

Monday, 22nd instant,
9 P.M. Money Order Office closes.
Tuesday, 23rd instant, the Mourer Box,
which remains open all night.
Wednesday, 24th instant,
7 A.M. Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Receipts for Letters, and Posting
of all correspondence.
10 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases.
11 A.M. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.
10 A.M. Letters (but Letter only) addressed-

to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted. Late Fee of 18 cents per annum.

30 AM., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 9th March, 1876.

Arrangements have been made for the Registration of Correspondence exchanged between the United States of America and this Colony under the Mail Packet Act of the Occidental and Eastern Steam Ship Company.

The Registration Fee is 8 cents for each copy over and above the Postage. This fee, as well as the Postage, must be prepaid.

Letters can be Registered after 2 P.M. on any day of departure of the Mail.

Any boxes of letters are received at the Post Office not sealed, that is to say, the box is lined with sealing wax, but there is no impression of a seal.

Registration of boxholders is called to the attention of, carefully sealing each box with a recognisable seal, and of sending a Child or receipt with them. The omission of these precaution leaves a doubt as to the contents of the boxes ever reached the Post Office; the omission of the former, as to their port of their might not have been addressed for the sake of the Postage Stamp.

Some misapprehension exists regarding the transmission of Packets and Samples to the General Post Office. The following information, that the Privilege of sending such articles through the post at the reduced rates applicable to them is restricted to *Trade Patterns or Samples of Merchandise*.

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and at the following rates, viz. —
 for Letters, 8 cents per 4 ounces.
 for Papers, 2 each.
 for Book Packets, 2 each.
 for Boxes and Packages of 8 for each 4 ounces.
 Patterns,
 no registration fee on such correspondence
 above cents for each Letter, Paper or
 Packet.

*Correspondence from New Zealand, via Three
 Straits.*

A considerable amount of Correspondence
 is received directed to New Zealand and
 it is notified that the New Zealand
 Post Office has declined to receive Mails
 sent thence, hence there is no alternative but
 forward such Correspondence via Gallapagos
 Islands, where the ships are to await them.
 Three Straits Steamers to communicate
 New Zealand should address their letters,
 to the care of an Agent at Sydney,

There is a common belief in the existence of Parcel Post by which such articles as Toys, Books, Little Dresses, Sources, Jewellery, Arid, &c., can be forwarded at low rates. It cannot be too distinctly stated that such goods can only be sent as Letters, and the corresponding rate is 15 cents per half ounce by Steamers. All such packages should be "lettered" (2 cents). If the Parcel be heavy it be sent through one of the Parcel Expresses (which charge 25 cents per half ounce) or by a Parcel Agent, which, for anything over 4 ounces, will be found cheaper than the Parcel Post.

The rates of postage chargeable on Letters addressed to the United Kingdom, and to places in the United Kingdom, when forwarded by French Packet, are the same as those chargeable on Letters forwarded by British Post via Brindisi.

ages of postage which must be paid in
advance, chargeable on Pockets of printed
or patterns of light weight sent from
Chicago to the United Kingdom, by
air and Parcel Post. Pockets via San Francisco are
as follows, viz:—
a packet not exceeding 1 ounce 2 cents
a packet above 1 ounce not ex-
ceeding 3 ounces 8
a packet above 2 ounces not ex-
ceeding 4 ounces 8
Eight cents for every additional full ounce.
These rates apply to Printed Circulars, Price
Market Reports, and all printed papers
other than Newspapers, as well as to Books,
Trade Patterns or Samples.

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